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FRIDAY EVENING, JULY 1.

PRINTERS.—Printers work at night. That necessitates gas and frequent adjournments to the nearest house of refreshment. Printers are generally thin, pale and fond of tobacco. Their nervous energy is given to the service of their employer, and they rely too often upon stimulants ranging from cold tea to gin and milk, from rum and gin to whisky straight, for a fictitious strength which wastes as often as it is renewed. The foremen complain of pains in the chest—they bend over so much. Proofreaders lose their eyes and have buzzes in their ears. Compositors get sore fingers and cricks in the back. Strange as it may appear, although they go to bed very late, they are not always late risers. But when they get up their faculties are sleepy. They are liable to headache, dyspepsia and weak backs. Their physical fibre fails to keep pace with their activity. As years go on they become feeble. Little by little they degenerate from experts to muffs, and then they have to leave their places on the daily press and seek employment on the less exacting weekly or trade papers. There are many women type-setters, but as they generally marry young it is impossible to say what effect the trade has on them. One of the worst features of type-setting is what is known as the "writer's drop." A man may be driving away at a great rate, when, without warning, his wrist will give way and his hand fail helpless. In other words he's "headed." All workers in metal are liable to this curse, especially when they are careless in their personal habits. Frequent, careful washing is absolutely necessary, and when fully dressed up is a sure preventive.—*New York Herald*.

[From a careful perusal of the above, the danger of apprenticeship work and sickly boys to the printing business will be made apparent. This chilling desire on the part of thoughtless parents has often been rebuked by those who know wherof they speak, and, to add still greater weight to the Heralds observations, it may be in order to state that during the past twenty years a careful man may not have been kept at this office, from which we notice that twenty persons—just one a year—variously employed in and around this establishment have died!]

Ask your druggist for a copy of "Young Men's Friend"—and read it!

The greatest joy of this season is the moving of the winter snow. None of the other pleasures of May can stir spring house cleaning can compare with this event, which all the family look forward to with intense expectation, and which never fails to put all in the best of humor, by having them stored away at STANSBURY'S CENTRAL STORE HOUSE, you will save much annoyance, and have them in good order to put up when the cold weather comes. Remember the place—McBarney's building, corner of King and Washington sts.

Opening and Closing of the Mails.

CLOSING.
Washington, D. C., and Northwestern mails 8 a. m.; 12 m. and 6 and 8 15 p. m.

Western mails 9 and 8 15 p. m.; Southern mails, via Richmond, Va., 10 30 a. m., and 9 and 8 15 p. m.

South and Southwestern mails, via Lynchburg, Virginia, west end through mails, 7 30 a. m., and 9 15 p. m.

Messengers division 7 30 a. m.; Alexandria to Mount Hill Va., 8 30 a. m.

Opening, 8 a. m.

Northern and Western mails, via Washington, D. C., 8 30 a. m., 12 m. and 6 00 p. m.; Southern mails, via Richmond, Va., 8 30 a. m. and 9 30 a. m.

Southwestern mails via Lynchburg, Virginia, (through mails) including way mails on Midland Rail road, 9 a. m.

Massachusetts Division 7 30 p. m., for lock box only, Mount Hill to Alexandria, Va., 8 30 a. m.

Office hours—Office opens at 8 30 a. m., and closes at 7 30 p. m.

Sunday hours—Office opens at 8 45 a. m., and closes at 9 30 a. m.

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